

Weekly Newsletter 14th February 2019

Dear Parents,

Rehearsals for the Friends' Talent Show have gone very well, with a real mixture of songs, dance, comedy and even a magic show! It looks like it is going to be a packed and exciting show tomorrow- I hope many of you will be able to attend. Children performing can arrive, with an adult, from 5.30pm. The show starts at 6pm, and is likely to finish by about 7.15pm. Refreshments will also be available.

On Tuesday we enjoyed an assembly from John Heaser, the Chair of Little Melton Parish Council. He told the children about the annual 'Toadwatch' work in the village, and how his dedicated team of volunteers spend some of their evenings at this time of year rescuing toads as they try to cross the busy road to reach the large pond in the village. If you are interested in finding out more, or assisting in this, please go to <https://www.little-melton.org.uk/>

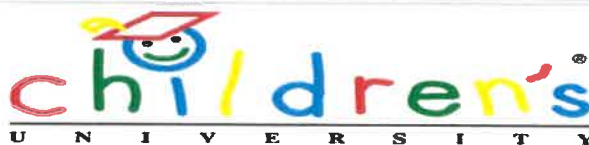
Eagle Owls enjoyed their 'Stargazing' evening last night. To conclude their 'Earth and Beyond' topic, the children took part in a carousel of activities, including visiting a planetarium in the hall, exploring a moon box and using some powerful telescopes on the school playground. There was also hot chocolate too! Many thanks to Mrs Bushell, Mrs Davies and Mrs Graves for staying into the evening to organise and run this event. All of the other classes in the school will also have an opportunity to go inside the planetarium later this week.

We have signed up to the Eastern Daily Press and Evening News LEGO promotion. Tokens appear in the newspapers daily and schools collecting a minimum of 1000 tokens will receive £50 worth of Lego, whilst the top three (as a ratio to registered pupils) will win £1000 worth each!

Finally, tomorrow on behalf of The Friends, we are holding our second 'donation to the May Fair tombola' non-uniform day, and Snowy Owls will be enjoying 'Penguin Day'.



The recipient of this week's Head Teacher award is:
Leena (5)- excellent questions and discussion with
Mr Heaser



Bring in your Children's University passports every Monday via the class baskets and these will be returned to you on Thursdays.
Send photos, emails and queries to CULMPS@littlemelton.norfolk.sch.uk

ATTENDANCE MATTERS

every school day counts.

Last week's attendance was: 97.16%

Year to date attendance was: 96.02%

Year 6 achieved 100% attendance.



N.B. These dates/times could be subject to change.

Friday 15th February - Non-school uniform day for May Fair tombola prizes.

Half Term Holidays
Mon 18th - Fri 22nd February 2019

Wed 27th February - Olly Day Road Safety years 1-6.

Thurs 7th March - World Book day.

Fri 15th March - Red Nose day, non-uniform.

Mon 18th March - Parent consultations 1:30pm - 4:00pm.

Wed 20th March - Parent consultations 4:00pm - 6:30pm.

Fri 22nd March - Owlets/Snowy Owls trip to Norwich Playhouse.

Fri 22nd March - Year 4-6 swim gala at the sports park.

Fri 22nd March - Year 6 maths challenge at Norwich School.

Sat 23rd March - Pre-School Spring craft Fair.

Tues 26th March - High 5 netball year 5 & 6, at UEA Sportspark.

Wed 3rd April - Year R multiskills at Easton College.

Easter Holidays
Mon 8th April to Mon 22nd April 2019

Set Your Sights - holiday club
Mon 15th - Thurs 18th April

Thurs 25th April - Year 5 & 6 netball league match day at City Academy from 3:30pm-5:30pm.

Friday 26th April - Non-school uniform day for the teddy tombola stall.

May Day Bank Holiday
Mon 6th May 2019

Sat 18th May - May Fair.

Mon 20th May - Book fair week.

Tue 21st May - Eagle Owls trip to West Runton.

Wed 22nd May - Eagle Owls Dance Showcase.

Half term Holidays
Mon 27th - Fri 31st May 2019

Set Your Sights - holiday club
Tues 28th May - Fri 31st May

Tues 23rd July - Whole School trip to Pensthorpe.

Summer Holidays
Thurs 25th July - Tues 3rd September 2019



Thomas D - Age 7

Rose - Age 6



Weekly Gold Book Winners

Well Done Assembly 1st & 8th February

Owlets - Zac, Harriet and Rudi.

Snowy Owls - Grace, Sam, Mason, Jack, Logan and Amelia.

Barn Owls - Erin W, Riley, Isabelle, Sam, Aiesha, Kodey, Matilda, Edward, Ben, Jemima and Bailey.

Eagle Owls - Ella, and George.

Uniform

Any parents wanting to buy uniform can purchase it direct from this website:

<https://www.superstitch86.co.uk/product-category/schoolwear/primary-schools-academies/little-melton-primary-school/>

Book bags are also now online <https://www.superstitch86.co.uk/product/little-melton-book-bag/>

NAVY LITTLE
MELTON PRIMARY
SCHOOL
SWEATSHIRT



RED LITTLE MELTON
PRIMARY SCHOOL
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NAVY LITTLE
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Yours sincerely,

Mr A Pritchard
Headteacher

After School Tennis Club

National Tennis Association have been delivering tennis coaching at schools in Norfolk since 2004. The after school sessions are a great introduction to the game and many of the county's most successful players started in our after school clubs.

In after school club sessions pupils will develop footwork, coordination, ball and racket skills working through a structured curriculum with a certificate at the end of term.

Tennis Club Details

Thursdays - 6 weeks (28 Feb - 4 Apr)

Year 1 to 6

3.15 - 4.00pm

Cost - £22.50

How to Enrol?

Please visit our website where you will find more information and check availability... you will then be able to book your place

1. Visit www.NationalTennis.org.uk
2. Browse our **Tennis Schools**
3. Navigate to **Norfolk Schools Network**
4. Book your Place

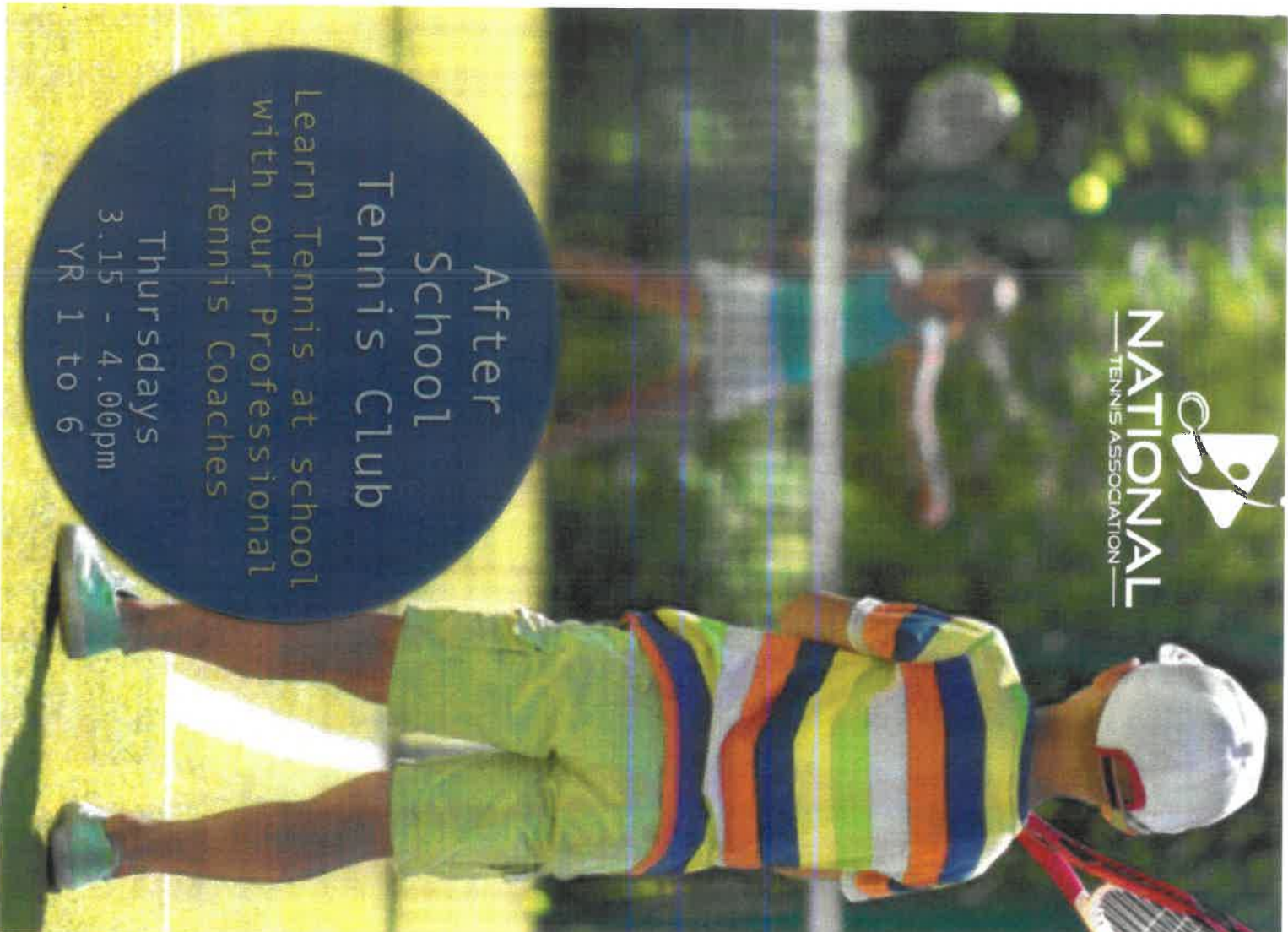
These sessions fill up very quickly therefore it is important to book your place quickly, we operate a first come, first serve basis.

Once you have booked on our website you will receive a confirmation of your place.

We do not take bookings through the school, if you receive funding via the school you will need confirm this and then contact us by email so we can book your place.

If you have any questions regarding the tennis club please contact us:

email: east@nationaltennis.org.uk **tel:** 01603 980340



After
School
Tennis Club

Learn Tennis at school
with our Professional
Tennis Coaches

Thursdays
3.15 - 4.00pm
YR 1 to 6

A vertical border on the left side of the poster featuring a repeating pattern of colorful hands in various shades including red, orange, yellow, green, blue, and purple. The hands are of different sizes and orientations, creating a vibrant, community-like feel.

LMPS FRIENDS

NEED YOUR HELP!

Planning for the May Fair on Saturday 18th May is now well under way. This is our largest fundraising event of the year which relies heavily on the support of our friends and family.... SO are you able to help?

- * Can you set up on the afternoon of Friday 17th May?
- * Are you crafty? We would love lots of new bunting to decorate our stalls with!
- * Calling all face painters!! You don't need to be a professional!
- * Do you make local produce: jams, chutney, juices or crafty items? Would you like to have your own stall?
- * Do you have any giant garden games we could borrow?
- * Are you able to source a family-friendly raffle prize (hamper, free attraction passes etc)?
- * And lastly but most importantly, are you able to help on the day by volunteering to run one of our many stalls?

THE MORE HELPERS WE HAVE ON THE DAY, THE MORE TIME WE ALL GET TO ENJOY THE DAY WITH OUR FAMILY

Please contact Sarah Wilson on Impsfriends@gmail.com if you can help

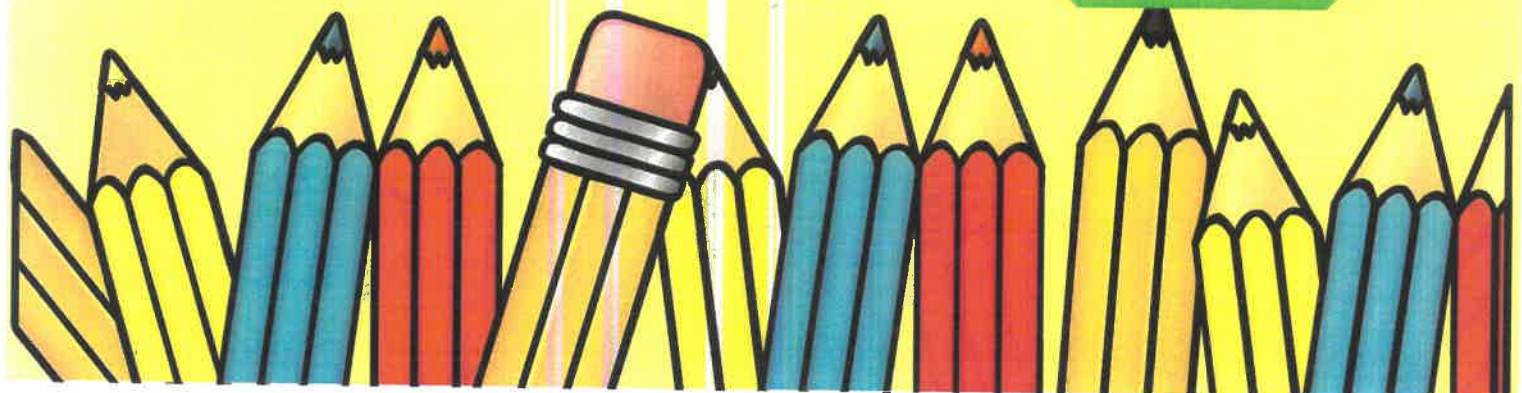
FEBRUARY CHALLENGES

Make your very own
lava lamp at home
with just a few
simple ingredients!
www.instructables.com/id/DIY-Homemade-Lava-Lamp/
(1 credit)

17th February is Random Acts of Kindness Day – to celebrate Random Acts of Kindness Day we want you to write a letter to someone to tell them why you appreciate them and what you like about them. This could be a teacher, a friend and neighbour, a family member or someone you look up to.
(1 credit)

National Nest Box week is from 14th Feb – 21st Feb. It is important at this time of year to provide safe environments for breeding birds and other animals. In order to help wildlife at this time of year Make a nesting box, insect hotel or hedgehog house for your garden.
(1 credit)

Spring will soon be here! It officially arrives on 20th March. With this in mind see how many words you can find in the following "It is almost spring"
(1 credit)



Snow Drops appear at this time of year, so as well as seeing them outside, how about making some for inside. Have a go at making tissue paper snowdrops

<https://kidscraftroom.com/snowdrop-tissue-paper-flowers/>
(1 credit)

Feeling musical?
Try making a water xylophone.
www.bbc.co.uk/cbeebies/makes/the-lets-go-club-water-xylophone
(1 credit)

22nd Feb is world Thinking Day! –
Tell us either in a video, poster or letter what World Thinking Day is and how it began.
(1 credit)

Next month on 31st March the clocks will go forward. Why do we have daylight saving time in the UK and whose idea was it? You can design a poster using diagrams to tell us, you can write a report or star in a video explaining the reason behind daylight saving time.
(2 credits)

Take part in Gressenhall Farm and Workhouse museums woodland word illustration competition -
www.norfolk.gov.uk/childrensuniversity
Look under News and photos for the challenge
(1 credit)





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We're collecting tokens!

— Find them every day in the —

Eastern Daily Press **Norwich Evening News** 

GREAT YARMOUTH
Mercury

LOWESTOFT
The Journal

Beccles & Bungay
JOURNAL

Dereham Times

NORTH NORFOLK NEWS
SPOTLIGHT ON YOUR COMMUNITY

Fakenham & Wells
Times



WARNING!
Catfishers will target **ANYONE** OF ANY age

What parents need to know about CATFISHING



In this technological era, making friends online and communicating with them are normal parts of life. Unfortunately, there are people out there who may try and exploit your trust. Catfishing is when someone creates a fake online profile to trick people into thinking they are somebody else. They assume a fake identity and goes the extra mile to make their victim believe that they are exactly who they say they are.



WHY DO PEOPLE CATFISH?

The term 'catfish' was coined in a 2010 documentary about a man who developed an online relationship with a woman, only to discover the person he thought he was communicating with was someone else. Catfishers make up life stories and use photographs of unsuspecting victims to create fake identities. They will share life experiences, jobs, friends and photographs to the fake accounts. The aim of the perpetrator may be to lure victims into a sexual relationship, but they can also be part of social engineering to trick people out of money. After building up trust and developing an online relationship, a catfisher may ask for cash for a loan, money for travel, or some other form of payment.

OTHER CONCERNS & WORRIES

Catfishing can escalate very quickly. As someone executing a catfishing scam is looking to achieve a goal - whatever that may be - they are likely to want to get things moving as quickly as possible. The victim may be encouraged to develop a relationship faster than they are comfortable with. In addition to this, people who create fake identities could also be taking the victim's photos and pretending to be them. It is common for fraudsters to post pictures stolen from social media sites, including Facebook and Instagram.

HOW TO SPOT CATFISHING

Profile pictures and other photos that are posted can be big indicators. To avoid revealing their real identity, a catfisher may use 'stock' images of models, other people's photos or photos in which it is difficult to see their face. They may try to limit chat to text-based messaging and anything involving video is likely to be shunned for fear of revealing their true identity. Through the course of conversations, there may be inconsistencies with what is said, or instances of people being very vague in response to specific questions about themselves.



Top Tips for Parents

MONITORING & CONVERSATION

Encourage your child to talk to their trusted adults about anything that has made them feel uncomfortable online, particularly if someone they don't know has contacted them. Remind them that they should not accept friend requests or communicate with anyone they don't know online, and to ask a parent or carer if they are unsure. It is also very important to closely monitor their internet usage so you are aware of who they are communicating with, especially if they are being secretive. Have regular and honest conversations with your child about what is safe to share with people online; the importance of keeping private information private; and that anything that could identify them should not be shared online.

PRIVACY & SECURITY

Go through your child's security and privacy settings thoroughly to ensure that their online profiles are set to private. This means that only friends can see their profile and can contact them. It may also be a good idea to check through your child's friends list with them - do they know and trust everyone on the list? In some cases it's difficult to stop young people from talking to new people. In these circumstances, encourage your child to be curious and ask lots of questions rather than rely on the information given in someone's online profile. Do they have any mutual friends? If not, how did that person find them and why did they reach out? It's vital that they know never to arrange to meet up with people they meet online, and never to send money to them - either their own, or from your account.

BE ALERT & REPORT

Make sure that you and your child is aware of how to report and block accounts on all platforms that the child uses. You can report fake accounts and block users to prevent them from viewing your child's profile. If you are concerned that someone is using your child's photographs for their own benefits, you can check by using Google image search. You can upload a photograph and Google will show related images used on other websites. This will show you if anyone else is using photos that your child has previously shared online. If this is the case, you need to report the user directly to the platform. If you suspect that any fraudulent, illegal or inappropriate activity has taken place, you should report to the police immediately.

SOURCES:
<https://www.thesun.co.uk/news/4305893/catfish-12-catfished-facebook-year/>
<https://www.thesun.co.uk/technology/449160/catfishing-meaning-identity-steal-online-dating-law/>



A whole school community approach to online safety
www.nationalonlinesafety.com
Email us at hello@nationalonlinesafety.com or call us on 0800 368 8061





Kids' Consultation

The parish council have money to spend on new play equipment.

Girls and Boys of Little Melton aged 8-16 - We would like to invite you to a meeting on Sat Feb 16th

2.45pm-4pm at the Village Hall, to meet Joe and Steve from *Fearless Ramps*. Come and tell them what you would like to play with/on in the new play area.

Don't let the adults decide for you! Adults allowed to accompany children but we are only seeking their views.

